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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2852

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: S. Brase
Takeshi Yasumoto, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 09/978,213)
: Filed: October 17, 2001)
: For: Driving Force Transmission Mechanism,)
Image Forming Apparatus Equipped :
With Such A Mechanism, and Process)
Unit of Such An Apparatus : July 2, 2003

MAIL STOP AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

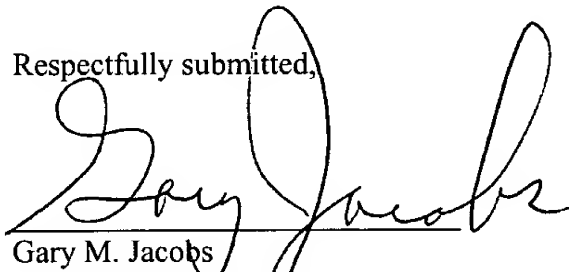
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	52	MINUS	52	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	6	= 0	x \$42 \$84	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140*/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT—						\$0.00

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- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the April 2, 2003 Office Action, please amend the application as follows.

INTRODUCTION:

The specification has been amended to improve its form, independent Claims 1, 15, and 32 have been amended to overcome a substantive rejection, and Claims 1, 4, 9, 10, 12-15, 18, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 32, 34, 40, 41, and 43-45 have been amended to improve their form. Therefore, the application is now in allowable form.